

## STATE OF DELAWARE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** The Chairman and Members of the Commission

**FROM:** Lisa B. Driggins, Public Utility Analyst

**DATE**: May 4, 2022

SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF CORPORATE NAME CHANGE OF SUEZ WATER

DELAWARE, INC. TO VEOLIA WATER DELAWARE, INC.

(FILED APRIL 4, 2022) - PSC DOCKET NO. 22-0258

On October 6, 2021, the Delaware Public Service Commission ("Commission") approved the merger of SUEZ S.A. (i.e.; the corporate parent of Suez Water Delaware, Inc.) and Veolia Environment S.A. The merger closed on January 18, 2022.

On April 4, 2022, Suez Water Delaware, Inc. ("Suez" or the "Company") filed an application (the "Application") with the Commission notifying the Commission of its new company name, "Veolia Water Delaware, Inc.," and providing proposed, revised tariff pages reflecting the new name.

In the Application, Suez stated that its name change to Veolia Water Delaware, Inc. became effective March 28, 2022. The Company included documentation from the Delaware Secretary of State effectuating the name change. The Application also included a revised tariff with an effective date of April 4, 2022.

According to the Company, it will be notifying customers of the name change through a variety of ways. A customer letter was sent out in accordance with bill cycles after March 21, 2022 and will continue for the entire billing cycle. Additionally, Veolia will further notify customers of the name change in May through a second notification via direct mail, bill inserts website and social media postings.

The Company's Application states that all existing terms and conditions with existing customers will continue in force and effect, without modification in service.

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The Company's corporate name change and request for associated tariff changes appear to be reasonable. Staff, therefore, recommends the Commission recognize the new corporate name and approve the associated tariff changes.